

Remarks

In response to the restrictions imposed in the Office Action mailed September 15, 2009 the Applicants elect Group I. In addition, Applicants elect as a species *N*-[2-(3-chlorophenyl)ethyl]-2-(1-[[{4-[(trifluoromethyl)oxy]phenyl}oxy]acetyl]amino)ethyl)-1,3-thiazole-4-carboxamide identified in Tables 1, 2, and 3 as entry one, and the first compound in claim 53. Claims 1-55 are encompassed by the present election of Group I.

The Applicants understand that election of this species is for search purposes only, and search and examination will be expanded from the elected species to the extent permitted by the prior art, up to the full scope of the claims, pursuant to MPEP 803.02. The Applicants further understand that the search may be stopped short of the full scope only if prior art is found that renders the claims unpatentable as anticipated or obvious; rejections under 35 USC § 112 are not a proper basis for limiting the search to the elected species.

If there are any questions or comments regarding this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned in order to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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